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In re application of: Schutt et al.

Application No.: 09/218,213

Group No.: 1615

Filed: 12/22/1998

Examiner: S. Tran

For: STABILIZED PREPARATIONS FOR USE IN NEBULIZERS

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Washington, D.C. 20231

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

## STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

## EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for two months:

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 28, 2000, please consider the following amendments and remarks with respect to the above-captioned application. A petition for a two month extension of time and fee are enclosed herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

2. (Once amended) A method for the pulmonary delivery of one or more bioactive agents comprising the steps of:

providing a stabilized respiratory dispersion comprising one or more bioactive agents wherein the respiratory dispersion comprises a plurality of perforated microstructures suspended in and substantially permeated by a fluorochemical continuous phase wherein more than 30% of the average particle volume of the perforated microstructures is permeated by said suspension medium;

nebulizing said respiratory dispersion with a nebulizer to provide an aerosolized